

Woodlawn, West Cart Shed
County Route #429 approximately 1 mile
east of junction with Route #428
Odessa Vicinity
St. Georges Hundred
New Castle County
Delaware

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE Delaware	COUNTY New Castle	TOWN OR VICINITY St. Georges Hundred Odessa vicinity
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Woodlawn, West Cart Shed		HABS NO. DE-229-F
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Delcross Farm, West Cart Shed Williams, Jonathon K., Farm, West Cart Shed		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) County route #429 approximately 1 mile east of junction routes #428 and 429		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1886 (Bill of Materials)	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) William Rose & Co., Odessa (oral history)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) The Woodlawn west cart shed is one of five agricultural structures erected in 1886 by Jonathon K. Williams. The shed utilizes impermanent and durable building modes and is framed into a frame bank barn defining the north end of a farm courtyard.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Braced frame with east elevation open for vehicle access; west wall framed and clad with vertical board.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) see measured drawings of Woodlawn, Barn (HABS No. DE-229-B)		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE The west cart shed, like the east cart shed, was framed on a bent system defined by principal posts set on stone pillows. The post bases here have been replaced with poured concrete. The rear wall of the shed is continuous with the west wall of the barn and retains an opening that would have allowed access to the fields.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Of particular note is the elaborate bracing system associated with each structural bent. These are recorded in measured drawings and photographs.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Post bases encased in concrete blocks in the early 20th century.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Excellent: cart shed.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE The west cart shed forms one side of a southward facing agricultural courtyard fronted on the north by a bank barn and on the east by a smaller fully detached cart shed.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) National Register of Historic Places; family papers; Delaware Rural History Project		
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